
EDMONDS CITIZENS' TREE BOARD

Meeting Notes

July 7, 2016

The Edmonds Citizens' Tree Board Meeting was called to order at 6:03 by Chair Steve Hatzenbeler in the Council Chambers.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Barbara Chase
Steve Hatzenbeler, Chair
Barbara Durr
Albert (Jed) Marshall
Doug Petersen
Bill Phipps

STAFF PRESENT

Jenn Leach, Parks

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Vivian Olson , excused

ELECTED OFFICIAL PRESENT

Diane Buckshnis – City Council liaison

1. CALL TO ORDER

Steve Hatzenbeler called the meeting to order at 6:03

2. ROLL CALL/INTRODUCTIONS

Edmonds Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services representative Jenn Leach attended the meeting. She is coordinating environmental stewardship and planting efforts of multiple groups. The volunteer hours can be tracked and contribute to Tree City USA certification—they currently are not tracked that way, but they may be in the future.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved

4. AUDIENCE COMMENTS

No comments

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING NOTES

June meeting notes were approved

6. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Tree Board University: Doug has completed the online program; he suggested budgeting approximately 10 hours to complete.
- b. EPA Water Quality Scorecard: Jed reviewed the tree retention and canopy elements in the EPA WQS. Steve suggested/reminded Tree Board members that it will strengthen future presentations/pitches of ideas if we can tie back to established City of Edmonds policies. It's unknown if the City has completed the EPA WQS, but there are policies in place such as the Comprehensive Plan, Mayors' Climate Protection Plan, and the

upcoming Urban Forest Management Plan. We should check with Public Works if they're interested in completing the EPA WQS.

- c. Jenn Leach will add the Arbor Day Celebration to the City's website, and will investigate if planting plan has been prepared. Tree Board input will be solicited on the planting plan.
- d. Jenn Leach will contact various community groups to publicize the Arbor Day Celebration. In future years, she advised that the Tree Board get events in the City's publication *Craze*.
- e. The City will have plants and tools on site for the event.
- f. Receipts for expenses from the Cass Turnbull presentation should be submitted using the reimbursement form emailed to members June 13.
- g. Tree Board members will meet with Rich Lindsay at the Main Street site to plan for the October 15 Arbor Day planting event. Date TBD.

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a. The group decided to have a table at the Edmonds Summer Market in September. Someone needs to contact Jerry Freeland about a date.
- b. City's Green Resource Center at Development Services is open. It would be good to add some tree preservation items. Send them to Jeanie McConnell.

8. TREE BOARD MEMBERS COMMENTS

None

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Edmonds Citizens' Tree Board adjourned at 8:10 pm

Future Meetings: August meeting, Thursday, August 4, 2016

Notes submitted by Barbara Chase, Acting Secretary

Vivian Olson has offered to take notes in August and September